

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Previously presented) An injectable or insertable dosage form for producing specific necrosis of tissue that comes into contact with the dosage form comprising: a biodisintegrable binder and a chemical ablation agent in a concentration effective to cause necrosis of said tissue, wherein said dosage form is a sterile, solid or semi-solid dosage form, and said biodisintegrable binder comprises first and second biodisintegrable polymers, wherein at least one of said first and second biodisintegrable polymers is crosslinked at an outer surface of the dosage form.
2. (Original) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein the dosage form is in the shape of a cylinder.
3. (Original) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein the dosage form is in the shape of a bead.
4. (Original) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein the dosage form is in the shape of a fiber.
5. (Cancelled)
6. (Original) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein the dosage form is a particulate dosage form having a weight average particle size between 1 and 100 microns in largest dimension.
7. (Original) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein the biodisintegrable binder comprises a glycolic acid polymer.
8. (Original) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein the dosage form is adapted for injection or insertion into the tissue via a jet injector.

9. (Original) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein the biodisintegrable binder comprises a biodisintegrable polymer.

10. (Original) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein the biodisintegrable binder comprises an organic compound.

11. (Original) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein the biodisintegrable binder comprises a cellulose ether.

12. (Original) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein the biodisintegrable binder comprises carboxymethyl cellulose.

13. (Canceled)

14. (Original) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein the biodisintegrable binder comprises crosslinked alginic acid or a salt thereof.

15. (Cancelled)

16. (Previously presented) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein (a) said first biodisintegrable polymer is alginic acid or a salt thereof, and (b) said second biodisintegrable polymer is carboxymethyl cellulose.

17. (Original) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein said dosage form is encapsulated.

18. (Original) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein said dosage form is encapsulated in an encapsulant that comprises a biodisintegrable polymer.

19. (Original) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein said dosage form is encapsulated in an encapsulant that comprises a crosslinked biodisintegrable polymer.

20. (Original) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein said ablation agent of said dosage form is selected from a salt, an enzyme, an acid, an oxidizing agent, and a base.

21. (Original) The dosage form of claim 1, further comprising an imaging contrast agent.

22-32. (Canceled)

33. (Original) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein said dosage form comprises from 1 to 95 wt% of said ablation agent.

34. (Original) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein said dosage form comprises from 5 to 80 wt% of said ablation agent.

35. (Original) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein said dosage form comprises from 1 to 80 wt% of said biodisintegrable binder.

36. (Original) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein said dosage form comprises from 5 to 50 wt% of said biodisintegrable binder.

37. (Previously presented) An injectable or insertable dosage form for producing specific necrosis of tissue that comes into contact with the tissue comprising: a biodisintegrable binder and a chemical ablation agent in a concentration effective to cause necrosis of said tissue, wherein said dosage form is a sterile, solid or semi-solid dosage form and wherein the dosage form is a particulate dosage form having a weight average particle size between 1 and

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100 microns in largest dimension and said biodisintegrable binder comprises first and second biodisintegrable polymers, wherein at least one of said first and second biodisintegrable polymers is crosslinked at an outer surface of the dosage form.

38. (Previously Presented) The dosage form of claim 1, wherein the largest dimension of the dosage form is between 1 mm and 30 mm.